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**Re: Impact of shutdown on NARA operations**

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Wed, Feb 6, 2019 at 2:00 PM

To: Stephani Abramson &lt;stephani.abramson@nara.gov&gt;

Cc: Jeannette Wise &lt;jeannette.wise@nara.gov&gt;, "Runkel, Chris" &lt;chris.runkel@nara.gov&gt;

How about as follows:

Most of NGC's legal functions were put on hold along with all other NARA programs. Similarly, all of NGC's federal court cases with deadlines during the shutdown were put on hold, and extensions were granted for any matters with deadlines occurring fairly soon after the resumption of normal operations. NGC's received 17 new FOIA requests and one new appeal during the shutdown, which resulted in a slight increase to the existing backlog of FOIA requests and appeals for NARA's operational records.

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On Wed, Feb 6, 2019 at 1:46 PM Stephani Abramson &lt;stephani.abramson@nara.gov&gt; wrote:

I think that is fine. I am not sure what else we want/need to include. Gary and Chris, what do you think?

On Wed, Feb 6, 2019 at 11:00 AM Jeannette Wise &lt;jeannette.wise@nara.gov&gt; wrote:

Here's what I drafted. Not sure what they are looking for exactly.

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On Tue, Feb 5, 2019 at 11:45 AM Stephani Abramson <[stephani.abramson@nara.gov](mailto:stephani.abramson@nara.gov)> wrote:

Jeannette can you describe the impact on FOIA? What about other litigation?

For everything else, I feel like it just pushed everything back.... Any other impacts you can think of on our work?

They are looking to publish their article either Thursday or Friday so I feel like we need to get back to them sometime today or early tomorrow.

On Tue, Feb 5, 2019 at 11:13 AM Stephani Abramson <[stephani.abramson@nara.gov](mailto:stephani.abramson@nara.gov)> wrote:

I got the email below. We should discuss.

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From: **Ben Jordi** <[ben.jordi@nara.gov](mailto:ben.jordi@nara.gov)>

Date: Tue, Feb 5, 2019 at 11:09 AM

Subject: Re: Impact of shutdown on NARA operations

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Stephani,

Would you be able to provide this information on the impact of the shutdown?

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On Tue, Feb 5, 2019 at 11:02 AM Ben Jordi <[ben.jordi@nara.gov](mailto:ben.jordi@nara.gov)> wrote:

Good morning,

Employee Communications has been asked to write two articles on the impact of the shutdown on NARA operations. One article will be published internally in Declarations and another externally in a column AOTUS sends to our professional partners at the National Association of Government Archives and Records Administrators and the Society of American Archivists. The external piece will feature more of a broad, wide view.

We're reaching out to offices across NARA to gather information. What kind of impact did the shutdown have on your office? What initiatives were put on hold, what backlogs increased, events cancelled, etc? Would you be able to help put together some of this information for your office?

If you have questions, please give me a call. We're hoping to publish the internal piece later this week.

Thank you,

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